

Northeastern Railroad: Charleston Freighthouses
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Location: 2 and 4 Chapel Street, Charleston County, Charleston, South Carolina.

Construction Date: 1881, by Miller and Kelly, Charleston, South Carolina (from cast iron pier protector/guard)

Present Condition: East Freighthouse demolished c.1972, West Freighthouse burned 1988.

Owner: Seaboard Coastline Railroad

Significance: The railroad played an important role in the development of Charleston as an active commercial port since it Charleston to the Savannah River in Georgia. These freighthouses, part of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad were described as being in the, "Chinese influenced Victorian style (as popularized by Alexander Jackson Davis in the nineteenth century)."